

# What's Happening Wednesday

## Kansas Immunization Program



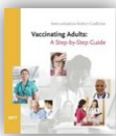
### VFC Consultant On-Call

The Consultant for December 4th thru December 17th is Jackie Strecker at ([Jackie.Strecker@ks.gov](mailto:Jackie.Strecker@ks.gov)) or by calling 785-296-5592



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**Chief Chat–** It's flu season and a critical time for healthcare professionals to take a proactive role in recommending an annual influenza vaccination for everyone 6 months of age and older to protect against this serious, potentially deadly, but vaccine-preventable disease. To help support healthcare professionals in this important role, the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners (NAPNAP), *Healthy Women and Families Fighting Flu* program has created a new educational initiative, *Do You Know the Flu?* -- to arm them with helpful flu prevention tools and resources. We encourage you to review and use this important resource to assist you in making a difference in flu vaccination rates. The [e-toolkit](#) contents include sample responses to tough questions about the flu & flu vaccine, real stories of families affected by the flu, patient resources, and a quiz to test your flu knowledge.



Immunization Action Coalition (IAC) has just published a new adult immunization resource, [Vaccinating Adults: A Step-by-Step Guide](#). This is a great resource to share with your staff and providers. Please refer to a detailed article about this resource on page 3 of this week's What's Happening Wednesday for more information and instructions for requesting a copy.

The Kansas Immunization Program's central office in Topeka will be closed the afternoon of December 14<sup>th</sup> as all staff will be participating in an agency-wide KDHE meeting. The on-call consultant will be available as will most of the consultants stationed outside of Topeka. We will resume normal business hours on December 15<sup>th</sup> and all WebIZ Helpdesk messages will be returned that day. KDHE and all state offices will be closed on December 25<sup>th</sup> and January 1<sup>st</sup> in observance of the holidays.



Have a great week and thank you for all you do each day to immunize Kansans!

**Phil Griffin, Deputy Director, Bureau of Disease Control and Prevention**

## Call for Annual Immunization Conference Presenters

*Vaccinating Across The Lifespan* is the theme of the 2018 Kansas Immunization Conference. The Kansas Immunization Program is soliciting your expertise and experiences as presenters for the conference to be held June 13 and 14 at the Tony's Pizza Event Center in Salina, Kansas. We are looking for several best practice presentations showing the work you are doing daily to vaccinate Kansans safely while increasing the immunization coverage rates for all vaccine preventable diseases.

What projects have you done recently that successfully vaccinated your community? How have you increased a particular immunization coverage rate in your practice? How have you met a challenge and improved your practices of storage and handling? How have you updated your clinic policies to insure better quality practices? How did you turn a disaster into a success? How have you partnered with others in your community to increase vaccinations? The answer to any of these questions could make for a great presentation!

Each presentation selected will be awarded one complementary registration to attend the conference. Proposals are due by midnight December 31, 2017. The proposal form may be found on our [Kansas Immunization Conference page](#) and is to be completed and emailed to Phil Griffin. You may also feel free to send Phil questions at [phil.griffin@ks.gov](mailto:phil.griffin@ks.gov).

## VFC Question of the Week–



Q: What do you do when you give the wrong vaccine or wrong dose?

A: Vaccines such as Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, and Influenza often have similar packaging and similar names. DTaP and Tdap can seem very similar also. Giving the wrong dose is a medication error and steps need to be taken to prevent this from happening in the future.

- 1- Notify the patient or parents – The patient or parent needs to be notified that the wrong dose or wrong vaccine has been administered. Parents will often be confused, a little scared or even angry, so reassure the patient or parent. Tell them any additional side effects that they should watch for.
- 2- Document the error – be sure to document the vaccine error in the patient chart as well as on KSWebIZ. The patient may have received the wrong vaccine, but they still received a vaccine, so the vaccination still needs to be documented.
- 3- Report the error – Report the vaccine error to the ISMP National Vaccine Errors Reporting Program (VERP). This program uses reported errors such as similar labeling or similar vaccine names, to research ways to prevent errors in the future.
- 4- Report the error to VAERS – Report any adverse reaction to VAERS

The Immunization Action Coalition has a monthly column called “Technically Speaking”. Dr Deborah Wexler’s “Technically Speaking” Column from March 2013 entitled *What to Do if the Wrong Dose of a Vaccine is Administered*, is still as relevant now as it was in 2013.

<http://www.immunize.org/technically-speaking/20130301.asp>

### DID YOU KNOW

The [Vaccine Education Center \(VEC\)](#) at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia has developed two new resources for patients and parents.

"Measles: What you need to know" addresses measles disease and vaccination. This piece is part of VEC's [Vaccine- and Vaccine Safety-Related Q&A Sheets series](#), and is available in English and Spanish.

[When Individual Doctors Make Their Own Immunization Schedules](#) addresses schedules implemented by providers to space out or delay vaccines compared with the recommended schedule. This new Q&A sheet is part of VEC's [Special Topics series](#).

Check out both series for many useful resources. You can download any of these Q&A sheets for free or [order them from VEC](#) for a nominal charge.

## KSWebIZ Upgrade--System Down Evening of December 19th-

KSWebIZ will be undergoing an upgrade to version 17.6 of the application. The system will be down from **5:00 pm – 10:00 pm on Tuesday, December 19, 2017** while the upgrade is being performed. Any HL7 messages received during this time will be placed in a queue until the upgrade is complete and then released. The release contents for the upgrade will be posted to the news section and uploaded to the reports page of KSWebIZ.

## 2017-18 Influenza-like Illness Surveillance-

The Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet) sites are monitoring patients for influenza-like illness (ILI) – symptoms include a fever ( $\geq 100$  degrees F) and the presence of a cough and/or sore throat. ILINet sites also submit up to two specimens for testing at the Kansas Health and Environmental Laboratories (KHEL). These specimens help monitor what types of influenza are present in Kansas. During the week ending December 2<sup>nd</sup>, ILINet sites reported 2.1% of visits were due to influenza-like illness. This was a slight decrease from the previous week at 2.4%. All data is subject to change. There have been two positive A/H3 influenza specimens tested at KHEL.

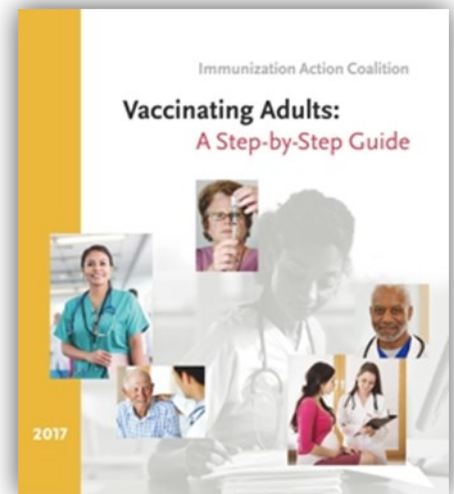
## ***Vaccinating Adults: A Step-by-Step Guide* – Newly Updated 142-Page Resource from the Immunization Action Coalition Available for Purchase or Free Download**

We would like to let you know about a new comprehensive and practical adult immunization resource available from the Immunization Action Coalition (IAC).

IAC has just the publication of its new book, [Vaccinating Adults: A Step-by-Step Guide](#) (Guide). This is the long-awaited update to IAC's 2004 adult vaccination guide, which has had *more than one-half million downloads* of individual chapters.

This completely updated [Guide](#) provides easy-to-use, practical information covering important “how to” activities to help you enhance your existing adult immunization services or introduce them into any clinical setting, including:

- \*setting up for vaccination services;
- \*storing and handling vaccines;
- \*deciding which people should receive which vaccines;
- \*administering vaccines;
- \*documenting vaccinations (including legal issues); and
- \*understanding financial considerations and billing information.



In addition, the [Guide](#) is filled with hundreds of web addresses and references to help you stay up to date on the latest immunization information, both now and in the future.

Two options are available to obtain a copy of the updated *Guide*:

### **Purchase a copy**

A limited number of printed editions of this 142-page book are available for purchase at [www.immunize.org/shop](http://www.immunize.org/shop). The *Guide*'s lie-flat binding and 10 tabbed sections make it easy to locate the information being sought. Purchased copies are delivered in a box that includes *Immunization Techniques: Best Practices with Infants, Children, and Adults*, a 25-minute training DVD developed by the California Department of Public Health. Also included are several selected IAC print materials, such as the *Skills Checklist for Vaccine Administration*, an assessment tool to assist in evaluating the skill level of staff who administer vaccines.

### **Download it free and print it yourself**

The entire *Guide* is available to download/print free of charge at [www.immunize.org/guide](http://www.immunize.org/guide). The downloaded version is suitable for double-sided printing. Options are available online to download the entire book or selected chapters.

The development of the *Guide* was supported by the National Vaccine Program Office (NVPO) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Expert staff from both agencies also provided early technical review of the content.

The [Guide](#) is a uniquely valuable resource to assist you in increasing adult immunization rates. Be sure to get your copy today!

## Aggregate Inventory Training

The Aggregate Inventory Training occurs every Monday from 1p-2p, and the first Friday of every month from 10:30a-11:30a. This call will go over the basics of the On Hand, Reconciliation submission, Vaccine Ordering and Return windows in KSWebIZ for Aggregate Users. Bring questions and examples of issues that your clinic is having with the end of the month reporting. **Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ**

**Aggregate (HL-7) Users Only!**

Register now for the date that works best for you!

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/6598705111102500354>

## Direct Entry Inventory Training

The Direct Entry Inventory Training occurs every Tuesday from 1p-2p, and the first Friday of every month from 12p-1p. This call will go over the basics of the On Hand screen, Reconciliation submission, and Vaccine Ordering and Return windows in KSWebIZ. Bring questions and examples of issues that your clinic is having with the end of the month reporting. **Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Entry**

**Users Only!**

Register now for the date that works best for you!

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/4121654947304535298>

## New User Training

The New User Training occurs every Thursday from 2p-3p, and the second Friday of every month from 12p-1p. This basic training is for new KSWebIZ users, or people who would like a simplified refresher training on how to use KSWebIZ. We will be going over log-in, adding history, administering vaccinations, printing consents and pink cards. If you are a new user, please take the time to sit in on this training! **Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Users Only!**

Register now for the date that works best for you!

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/1572841858584797442>

## School Module Training

The School Module Training occurs on the third Friday of every month from 9a-10a. This basic training is for new KSWebIZ school module users, or people who would like a simplified refresher training on how to use the KSWebIZ School Module. We will be going over log-in, adding history, education, and printing reports. Please take the time to sit in on this training! **Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ School**

**Module Users Only!**

Register now for the date that works best for you!

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## Reports Training

The Reports Training occurs the fourth Friday of every month from 12p-1p. This training is for KSWebIZ users who are wanting to learn more about the KSWebIZ Reports module. We will be going over the most often used reporting sections and how to generate reports within these sections. We hope you have time to sit in on this training! **Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Users Only!**

Register now for the date that works best for you!

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## Pharmacy Training

The Pharmacy Training occurs every Monday from 10a-11a and every Wednesday from 12p-1p. This training is for KSWebIZ pharmacy users that are new or would like a simplified refresher training on how to report immunizations to the state registry in compliance with statute KSA65-1635a. The training will consist of, logging-in, searching a patient, updating patient demographics, and adding immunizations. Please take the time to attend this training! **Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Entry Pharmacy**

**Users Only!**

Register now for the date that works best for you!

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/7882741178298559746>

Anthrax	3/10/10	MMR	4/20/12
Chickenpox	3/13/08	Tdap	2/24/15
DTaP/DT/DTP	5/17/07	MMRV	5/21/10
Hepatitis A	7/20/16	Multi-vaccine	11/05/15
Hepatitis B	7/20/16	PCV 13	11/05/15
Hib	4/2/15	PPSV	4/24/15
HPV9	12/2/16	Polio	7/20/16
HPV4 (Gardasil)	5/17/13	Rabies	10/6/09
HPV2 (Cervarix)	5/03/11	Rotavirus	4/15/15
Influenza (LAIV4)	8/07/15	Shingles	10/6/09
Influenza (IIV3 or IIV4)	8/07/15	Smallpox	10/01/09
Japan. enceph.	1/24/14	Td	4/11/17
MCV4/MPSV4	3/31/16	Typhoid	5/29/12
MenB	8/09/16	Yellow fever	3/30/11

## Vaccine Redistribution

Please email any additions or changes to be made on the Vaccine Redistribution lists with subject matter "Redistribution" to [kdhe.vaccine@ks.gov](mailto:kdhe.vaccine@ks.gov) or call toll free at 1-877-296-0464 [Vaccine Redistribution information and lists](#).

**REMINDERS:** Providers may place the excess doses on the KIP Redistribution list if:

- 1) The vaccine has a minimum of 90 days and a maximum of 365 days before the vaccine's expiration date.
  - 2) The ordering provider is responsible for any doses which expire on the redistribution list that have not been accepted for transfer to another VFC provider.
  - 3) Providers accepting vaccine from the redistribution list are responsible for using the doses once they are transferred. KIP encourages providers to accept only doses they can administer before the expiration date.
  - 4) The transferring and receiving provider will document these doses on their monthly reconciliation reports as transferred vaccines.
  - 5) Once vaccine is transferred please contact KIP to let us know so we can adjust the redistribution list by either deleting the line or by reducing the amount of doses.
  - 6) All vaccines must be in full boxes.
  - 7) The KIP Regional Immunization Consultant who is on call must be contacted prior to transferring vaccine.
  - 8) Providers are responsible for keeping KIP notified if there is a change in amount of doses available for redistribution.
  - 9) When placing an order, you may be contacted if the vaccine you are trying to order is on the redistribution list.
  - 10) Varicella and Proquad will not be posted on the VFC or Private Vaccine Redistribution List. Frozen Varivax vaccines are very intolerant to out of range temperatures. To prevent potential vaccine waste the KIP requests that Varivax containing vaccines not be transferred to other providers.
- For questions regarding transporting vaccine call 877-296-0464 to request assistance.